

September 13, 2021

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:05 p.m. Present: Mayor Carl E. Patterson; Trustees, E. Peter Forrestel, Michael R. Middaugh, Brian T. Perry, and Darrin L. Folger; Attorney Andrew Borden, Clerk Jayne DeTine, Treasurer Sarah Michel, Chief of Police, Richard Lauricella, Public Works Manager Jon Cummings, and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Borth.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Perry that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of August 23, 2021 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Forrestel seconded by Middaugh that the audit of the bills is approved, and the Treasurer authorized to pay same in accordance with the following abstract of audit vouchers:

General Fund	\$	11,500.24
Electric Fund	\$	7,587.27
Water Fund	\$	55,172.10
Sewer Fund	\$	11,399.54
Capital Projects	\$	279,387.25

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Perry that the following building permits be and hereby are approved with the application and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

Pixley's Shurfine	81 Buell St	Bollards	\$50.00
Kelkenberg Homes	6325 Hake Rd	Model Home	\$5,965.00
Patricia Logan	13 Brodie's Way	New House	\$5,765.00
Dennis Freeman	1 Pearl Pl	Barn Roof	\$50.00
Andrew Bogdan	2 Sunset Blvd	Driveway Replace	\$50.00
Raymond Seguin	39 Clinton Street	Fence	\$50.00
Virginia Martin	58-62 Main St	New Business	\$50.00
Andrew Bogdan	2 Sunset Blvd	Shed	\$120.00
Akron Methodist Church	11 Church St	Fence	\$ 0.00
Hearts & Hands	70 Main Street	Sign	\$ 0.00
Phylis Scharlau	111 John St	Roof	\$50.00
Michael Stabell	15 Wesley Dr	Windows	\$50.00
Terry Lotz	22 Chestnut St	Roof	\$50.00
Phillip Sokolofsky	51 Buell St	Driveway Ext.	\$50.00

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh that the following applications for a Dumpster Permit be and hereby are approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of permit fee:

Charles Rebmann	3 State Street	Temporary	\$50.00
Phylis Scharlau	111 John St	Temporary	\$50.00
Charles McConnaughay	30 Cedar St	Temporary	\$50.00

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Perry and seconded by Folger that the following application for a Peddler's Permit for the year 2021 be and hereby is approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of the annual license fee of \$100.00:

Karim Khondoker	Buffalo, NY	Yearly	\$100.00
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ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

PUBLIC HEARING – The Clerk asked the Board to approve holding a Public Hearing regarding the 2022-2023 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program on October 4, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Middaugh to hold the 2022-2023 CDBG Public Hearing on Monday October 4, 2021 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

APPEARANCE – Mayor Patterson presented Akron-Newstead Food Pantry Volunteers, Char Smith, Lani Jendrowski, Jean Dolph and Sharon Waff, with a Proclamation proclaiming October 9-16, 2021 as Akron-Newstead Food Pantry Week. The Mayor thanked all the Volunteers for their time and effort towards such a great cause. The Akron-Newstead Food Pantry Committee decided to again sponsor a food and money drop-off at the American Legion during the week of October 9-16, 2021 instead of holding their annual food drive held in November due to the current status of the Covid-19 pandemic.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Brian Murray, Finance Officer for the American Legion Post #900, came before the Board to confirm the bar at the Legion is permanently closed and reorganization including the VFW will begin in the near future.

PROJECT REPORTS –

CDBG – ADA Sidewalk Aprons/Crosswalks – project going well.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade – project continuing nicely.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Departments –

VILLAGE ATTORNEY – All during Work Session.

CLERK – submitted report for August 2021. Reported 97.24% of Village Taxes have been collected so far; Worked with Andy from Quackenbush regarding the installation of the updated control panel and the purchase of the new #2 pump for the HVAC system; Discussions with Jon Mirkin from Water Odyssey regarding a second quote for the proposed splash pad as well as Mike Jaworski from Lineage regarding a new postage machine; Attended the GFOA Western Summer Seminar along with Treasurer Sarah Michel, which included an introduction and Overview of the American Rescue Plan Act on August 24, 2021.

CHIEF OF POLICE – submitted report for August 2021 and schedule for September 2021. Reported: One Crossing Guard will be out for 6-8 weeks due to knee surgery; recommended to hire Robert and Cynthia Meyers as part-time fill in Crossing Guards; new speed sign is up and running at ACS; New Police vehicle is almost ready for pick-up, just waiting on graphics; Police bodycams are currently in use; setting up mandatory training for Officers online.

PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER – reported: working on the CDBG Main Street sidewalk apron and crosswalk project while trying to coordinate with upcoming events; recommended to approve purchase of commercial meters from GoTToGo Electric in the amount of \$42,256.00 which has been approved for reimbursement by IEEP.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Perry to approve the purchase from GoTToGo Electric in the amount of \$42,256.00 for commercial meters be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER –submitted report for August 2021. Reported: Construction has increased with residents trying to complete projects before winter. Working with the Erie County Zombie Initiative regarding 47 Main Street and 89 Skyline Drive to move the demolition of the properties along.

AKRON FIRE COMPANY – absent no report.

Elected Officials –

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Perry – reported: an Electric Committee meeting will be scheduled by the end of September or beginning of October; requested an Executive Session regarding Personnel.

Trustee Middaugh – reported: recommended to approve the Police Contract for 2021-2022; Also, asked Treasurer Michel to send the AFC Utility credit information to the Committee as a reminder.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Folger to approve the 2021-2022 Police Contract be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

Mayor Patterson – Reminder to the Community that the Household Hazardous Waste/Electric Recycling/Shred-it event is Saturday September 25, 2021 from 9:00 am – noon at the Joint Facility on Clarence Center Rd; Thanked the Village Office staff for keeping the residents notified of changes on garbage day pick-up these past few weeks.

Trustee Forrestel – recommended to Akron Chamber to continue to hold Car Parades as they did last year due to their great success; also recommended to set up a Reserve Fund for the Parks and Recreation account during the next budget process. He stated Local service clubs and

other organizations are willing to help in Parks and recreation projects, but the Village should be prepared to re-build or maintain park buildings such as the gazebo and shelter in Russell Park.

Trustee Folger – Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS

Clinton Street/Eckerson Avenue/ 43 East Avenue Village Land – Nothing New

Splash Pad – same as above.

Cedar Street – Electrical/Trees/Sidewalks – Trustee Forrestel suggested the Tree Committee visit the site during the winter to discuss the variety of tree for the spaces.

Jackson Street Sidewalks – Nothing new.

Updated Tree Policy – Planning Board met with the Village Board at the earlier Work Session to discuss the previous comments from the Board. The Planning Board will revise policy and bring it back to the Village Board for final approval.

Police Contract – 2021 -2022 Police Contract was approved during Trustee Middaugh's report.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION – duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Folger approving the hire of Robert Meyers and Cynthia Meyers as part-time Crossing Guards at Grade 2 Hire Rate effective immediately pending background checks as per the recommendation of Police Chief Lauricella be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Forrestel to allow Code Enforcement Officer, Michael Borth, to carry over 56 hours of vacation time to be used by December 10, 2021 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Forrestel to allow Public Works Manager, Jon Cummings, to carry over 96 hours of vacation time to be used by November 21, 2021 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Forrestel to allow Electric Lineman, Bradley Baer, to carry over 48 hours of vacation time to be used by December 3, 2021 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to approve the Mayor's appointments of resident Bethany Willis as a Zoning Board of Appeals Member and resident Sharon Carlo as the alternate Zoning Board of Appeals Member on the recommendation of Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman, Timothy Morgan be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Perry to authorize the Mayor to sign the Shared Services Agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for another four-year term expiring September of 2025 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Middaugh to authorize the Mayor to sign the School Resource Officer (SRO)/Security Officer Agreement with the Akron Central School District for the 2021-2022 year as per the recommendation of Police Chief Lauricella be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

CORRESPONDENCE –

Letter from the Akron Lioness Organization thanking the Akron DPW employees Fred Bedford, Phil Kreher, Tom Whitbeck and Steve Bedford from Bedford's Greenhouse for their efforts in changing out the hanging flower baskets on Main Street.

Letters both dated, August 27, 2021 from Charter Communications regarding broadcast changes.

NYCOM Advocacy Update dated September 2, 2021 – Remote meetings/Pension rates.

Thank you letter from the Akron Chamber of Commerce for support of the Village Board and the Police Department during all the Cruise Nights. Also, a summary of Super Cruise and Craft Show.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

EXECUTIVE SESSION –

RESOLUTION duly moved by Perry and seconded by Forrestel to go into an executive session regarding personnel matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation at 7:59 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Perry to come out of the executive session regarding personnel matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation at 8:58 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

On motion of Perry and seconded by Middaugh at 8:59 pm this meeting was ADJOURNED.

MAYOR

CLERK